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The Brunswick Academy Tradition



Fall/Winter 2017-18

SENIOR-FIRST GRADE MARCH

Brunswick Academy held one of its oldest traditions on Wednesday, August 16, 2017, the Senior-First Grade March. The Class of 2018 introduced the Class

of 2029. This tradition builds new friendships and is always one of the favorite days of the year!



Welcome to Our New Faculty

So happy to have these wonderful teachers join our Brunswick Academy Faculty this year!!!! Pictured above - Front row (l to r) - **Sharon O'Berry**-2nd Grade, **Lisa Moore**-First Aid, Health, Driver's Ed, LS P.E., **Nevine Powell**-MS Science, **Karolyn Hawthorne**-Spanish. Back row (l to r) - **Kendele Reamey**-MS English, **Sarah Moore**-1st Grade, **Michaela Copeland**-MS Social Studies/History, **Cheryl Freeman**-4th Grade, **Sharon Propst**-HS English. We WELCOME them to the BA FAMILY!!!

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 8, 2018 - Middle School Forensics hosted by B.A.

March 23, 2018 - Grandparents' & Special Friend's Day

April 20-22, 2018 - B.A. Theatre Presents "White Christmas"

April 28, 2018 - Junior/Senior Prom

May 25, 2018 - Class of 2018 Graduation

Welcome to Our New Staff Member



Brunswick Academy welcomes the newest member of our staff, **Mrs. Brittney Weidman**.

Mrs. Weidman is the new Director of Upper School and Student Activities.

**There is still time to donate to the
2017-2018 Annual Fund!
Please consider donating today!
Our Vikings Thank You!**

Waller Attends National Youth Leadership Forum



Junior **Hannah Waller** attended the National Youth Leadership Forum (NYLF) for medicine this summer at Babson College in Boston, MA!! Hannah was able to experience the life a medical student. She was able to hold a heart and brain in her hands and had many other hands-on experiences in a variety of medical procedures. A highlight of the forum was a simulation that enables students to test their knowledge as they triage injured patients. For more information on the program, visit www.envisionexperience.com. Great job, Hannah!

Lucy Participates in Pheonix Fire

Meredith Lucy, daughter of Jeremy (Class of '92) and Angie Lucy, had the opportunity to participate in a dance intensive, Phoenix Fire, through Liberate Artists. She traveled to Brooklyn, NY where she trained with well known dancers and choreographers for 5 days. Pictured with Meredith is Lauren Froderman from 'So You Think You Can Dance'.



Woodmen Life Awards



Mr. Kenneth Clary, Secretary of the local chapter of Woodmen Life, visited school to present two of our 5th Graders with the Woodman Life Outstanding Achievement Award. **Dawson Clary** received the Outstanding Achievement Award in History and **Natalie Allen** received the Outstanding Achievement Award in Reading/English. Mr. Clary presented them both with a certificate and a goodie bag which included a \$25 Wal

Solar Eclipse 2017



Brunswick Academy students, faculty, and staff viewed the Solar Eclipse on Monday, August 21, 2017!!! It was an awesome educational experience for everyone.

See You At The Pole

"See You At The Pole" is a global day of student prayer where students meet at the flagpole before school to lift up their school, community, nation and world. Our Middle School SCO organized and led our Elementary and Middle School students on Wednesday, September 27, 2017.



Exxon Mobil Grant



Brunswick Academy received a \$1,000 grant from the Exxon Mobil Educational Alliance. This grant is given to selected schools across the country in communities served by Exxon or Mobil stations. The grant was made possible by funding from Exxon Mobil Corporation in conjunction with Parker Oil Company. Mr. Ed Low of Parker Oil Company presented the check to our Head of School, Mrs. Cheryl Bowen.

mart gift card.

Pictured left to right - Mr. Kenneth Clary, Natalie Allen, Dawson Clary, and Mrs. Cheryl Bowen, Head of School

B.Å. Students Participate in *The Nutcracker*



Brunswick Academy students performed in the Colonial Theatre's *The Nutcracker* in December. Some of our classes were able to attend one of the shows. These talented girls did a wonderful job! Pictured left to right - **Meredith Lucy** (9th Grade), **Shana Love** (8th Grade), and

Abbie Grace Lucy (5th Grade). Not pictured is **Sara King** (6th Grade). Meredith and Abbie Grace are the daughters of Jeremy (Class of '91) and Angie Lucy of Dolphin, Shana is the daughter of David (Class of '92) and Cory Love of South Hill, and Sara is the daughter of Tommy and Amy King of Freeman.

Junior National Young Leaders Conference

Eighth graders, Harrison Harper and Trey Mitchell attended the Junior National Young Leaders Conference (JrNYLC), an Envision program June 10-15 in Washington, DC. Harrison was nominated by Mrs. Alicia Clary and Trey was nominated by Mrs. Rose Lee, who both recognized them as students who have achieved academic excellence and possess strong leadership potential.



By attending JrNYLC, they took the first step on a path to success in high school, college, and future career. They participated in interactive workshops, group simulations, and historical site visits which will help them develop skills to become an effective leader: goal setting, teamwork, problem solving, and communication. Focusing on these qualities will prepare them to face future challenges and create positive change at school and in their community.

Washington, DC served as their living classroom as they explored leadership through the lens of American history at the National Museum of American History and the Lincoln, Vietnam Veterans, and Korean War Veterans Memorials. Just outside of our nation's capital, they were special guest at historic Harpers Ferry National Historical Park, where they studied John Brown's 1859 raid and discussed the choices and consequences of leadership.

Harrison is the son of Gregg and Kim Harper ('90) of Littleton, NC and Trey is the son of Jerry Mitchell ('79) and Paula Anderson of Emporia.

6th Grader Contestant on Food Network's Kids Baking Championship

NEW YORK/PRNewswire/ - Food Network celebrated the New Year in a big way as Valerie Bertinelli and Duff Goldman challenged the skills of a dozen young bakers with major talent on a new season of Kids Baking Championship, which premiered on Monday, January 1 at 9pm ET/PT. Over the course of ten episodes, the contestants (ranging in age from 10 to 13) compete in decadent dessert challenges designed to find the most impressive and creative kid baker in the country. To make it to the top tier of the competition, their baking skills and originality must measure up, as they whip up sweet treats such as cookies, ice cream, and doughnuts. Only one will take the cake and the sweet grand prize of \$25,000, a feature in *Food Network Magazine*, and the title of Kids Baking Champion!



Photo Courtesy the Food Network

During the 10-episode season, the kid contestants must tackle new confectionary challenges, from sweet dessert pizzas using traditional savory pizza toppings, to out-of-this-world desserts with freeze-dried astronaut approved ingredients, and to a new twist on the popular imposter dessert challenge featuring lunchbox favorites. Monday, March 5 at 9pm ET/PT, the championship culminates as one talented baker will rise to the top in the grand finale.

Kids Baking Championship contestants include: Gareth Bennett (Gaithersburg, MD; age 10), Julia Betz (Key Biscayne, FL; age 12), Alex Czajka (Edmonton, AB; age 12), Beverly Hepler (Foster City, CA; age 10), Grady Holloway (Chesterfield, MO; age 11), Luke Jonsson (Rancho Santa Margarita, CA; age 13), Linsey Lam (Closter, NJ; age 13), Abby Martin (Franklin, WI; age 13), **Bryn Montgomery (South Hill, VA; age 11)**, Aditya Pillutla (Cary, NC; age 12), Michael Platt (Bowie, MD; age 11) and Soleil Thomas (Livingston, NJ; age 12).

Bryn is the daughter of Vin and Ann Jones Montgomery (Class of '90) of South Hill.

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Brunswick Academy Reverse Raffle

Brunswick Academy held the BA Boots 'N Bits Reverse Raffle Hoedown on Saturday, January 27, 2018 at the Sadler Barn in Emporia. The event sold out and raised over

\$20,000 for the school!!! The great crowd was entertained by the JB & the Get Down Brown's Band. B.A. would like to thank everyone who made this a successful fundraiser!



Annual Golf Tournament

Brunswick Academy held its annual golf tournament on Friday, September 22nd at Lake Gaston Golf Club in Gasburg. A big thank you to all who supported this fundraising event. Congratulations to the Drs. K. W. Morris, Ltd. team on winning this year's tournament!!! Pictured l to r - Dr. Kendall Morris, Keith Hamm, Dr. Cory Morris, and Dr. Wayne Morris.



JV Volleyball

The Brunswick Academy JV Girls Volleyball team ended the regular season as Undeclared Champs with a 14-0 record. They ended the year with a 15-1 record and were awarded 2nd place in the VCC Tournament held on Saturday, November 4, 2017.



"Pink Out" Football Game



The Brunswick Academy Vikings hosted Rappahannock County High School on Saturday, October 21, 2017. The Varsity football team, Varsity cheerleaders, and Viking fans wore pink to show their support for Breast

Cancer Awareness! Brunswick Academy thanks everyone who came to support our Vikings and we honor all of those who are fighting this disease, those who have conquered it, and remember the ones we have lost.

Alumni News

VIKINGS IN THE NEWS:

The National Aircraft Resale Association (NARA) recently names its 2018 slate of new Board of Directors and Products and Services Member Advisory Council. Mente Group **Brian Proctor** (Class of '88) is the incoming NARA chairman and president.



Congratulations to **Brian Poarch** (Class of '90) on being inducted into the Richard Bland College Athletics Hall of Fame on January 20, 2018. Poarch is Richard Bland's fifth class inductee and was a member of the men's basketball team from 1990-1992.

They say "Once a Viking, always a Viking." This statement is certainly true for this group of 7 friends that graduated from **BA in 1985**. For the last 30+ years, they have made an effort to meet every year or so for a mini reunion. They've been friends for the most part for 40 or more years and share a bond the no time or distance can sever. This year, the group turned 50 and celebrated in style in November by spending 5 days in Montego Bay, Jamaica. They were given a keepsake by Tracey Owen that said "BA Girls-Best in the World." The group is spread out all over the state of Virginia as well as South Carolina.

Pictured l-r: **Tracey Owen Shenk, Becky Spence Walker, Stephanie Spence Puckett, Candace Wilson Lane, Beverly Collins Flippo, Ginger Weaver Dotter, and Wendi Harrell Simmons.**



VIKINGS HAVING BABIES:

Ava Rivers Burr was born on July 22, 2017. She weighed 7 pounds, 10 ounces and was 21 inches long. Proud parents are Robert and **Cheryl Taylor Burr** (Class of '93) and big sister, Reese.



Ryan (Class of '06) and Paula Short of Littleton, NC proudly announce the birth of their daughter, Mary Katherine Short. Mary Katherine arrived at 12:21 a.m on Friday, August 4, 2017 at Halifax Memorial Hospital in Roanoke Rapids, NC. She weighed 6 pounds 11 ounces



and measured 17 inches in length. Paternal grandparents Richard (Class of '80) and Betsy Short. Maternal grandparents Kenny and Tammy DeLoatch, Rex Crowley of Roanoke Rapids, NC. Great-grandmothers Mary Frances Short Kramer and Peggy Byers.

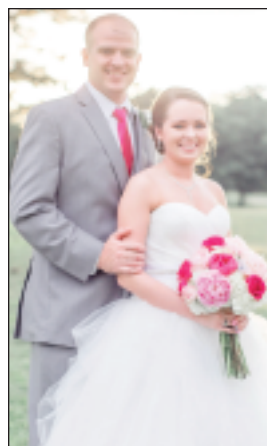
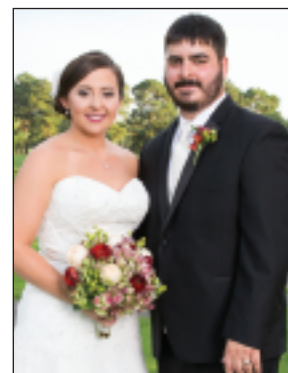
Chip (Class of '03) and **Taylor** (Class of '04) **Parrish** welcomed Charlee Harlow Parrish on October 12, 2017. She weighed 7 pounds 5 ounces and was 19.75 inches. Big brother, Channing (4), is over the moon to have a playmate!



Owen Meade Blackwell was born January 17, 2018 at 7:46 a.m. He weighed 7.9 pounds and was 21 inches long. His parents are **Austin Meade Blackwell** (Class of '08) and **Murphy Owen Blackwell** (Class of '10).

VIKINGS GETTING MARRIED:

Kathryn Dianne Sykes (Class of '10) married **Johnathan Eric Allen** (Class of '06) on October 1, 2016. Kathryn is a graduate of Radford University and is employed as a Kindergarten teacher for Prince George County Public Schools. Eric is the owner/operator of Perfect Match Masonry Staining. They currently reside in Emporia, VA.



Adam Seay Grassel (Class of '10) married Tailor Elizabeth Maitland on June 24, 2017 in Dundas at Perseverance Christian Church. The reception was held at Lunenburg Country Club in Kenbridge. Adam is the son of Rick and Lea Ann (Class of '99) Grassel of Lawrenceville. Tailor is the daughter of Michael Maitland (Class of '92) and Michelle Cifers, both of Emporia. The couple resides in Dolphin, VA.

BA Homecoming 2017



Brunswick Academy held their Homecoming 2017 on Friday, October 13, 2017. It was great to see a large crowd full of Alumni, Patrons, Grandparents, Students, and friends. Our BA Vikings won 63-19 against the Grace Christian Warriors. The Homecoming Court was announced at halftime and the Homecoming Queen crowned.

Pictured above - Homecoming 2016 Queen Shirlkay Poarch, Hermie Sadler ('87), Homecoming Queen 2017 Halie Sadler, daughter of Hermie and Angie Sadler, crown bearer



First Grader, Jaxon Farmer, son of Brad Farmer ('91) and Heidi Smith of Lawrenceville, Head of School Cheryl Bowen ('80), flower girl First Grader, Aubreigh Washburn, daughter of Daniel ('93) and Dawn Washburn of Lawrenceville. She is the granddaughter of Keith Wilson Washburn ('71), and Joyce Edwards Prince ('72).

Pictured above - Seniors on the Homecoming Court - Sydney Robertson, Karly Blackwell, Halie Sadler and Alyssa Harper.

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